

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>BATTIN B NORRIS</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) THE COOPER COMPANIES, INC. THE COOPER COM 21062 BAKE PARKWAY, #20021062 BAKE PARKW (Street) LAKE FOREST CA 92630 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>COOPER COMPANIES INC [COO]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) VP, Investor Relations
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/08/2004	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/05/2004	03/08/2004	M		2,000	A	\$3.44 ⁽¹⁾	3,000	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2004	03/08/2004	M		5,000	A	\$7.25 ⁽¹⁾	8,000	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2004	03/08/2004	M		7,000	A	\$17.55 ⁽¹⁾	15,000	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2004	03/08/2004	M		8,000	A	\$11.72 ⁽¹⁾	23,000	D	
Common Stock								12,332 ⁽¹⁾	I	By Trust

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$3.44	03/05/2004	03/08/2004	M		2,000		04/13/1996	10/23/2005	Common Stock	2,000	\$3.44	0	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$7.25	03/05/2004	03/08/2004	M		5,000		02/07/1997	10/27/2006	Common Stock	5,000	\$7.25	0	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$17.55	03/05/2004	03/08/2004	M		7,000		01/25/1998	10/28/2007	Common Stock	7,000	\$17.55	0	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$11.72	03/05/2004	03/08/2004	M		8,000		10/01/1999	10/26/2008	Common Stock	8,000	\$11.72	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Adjusted to reflect the two-for-one stock split effected in the form of a stock dividend on November 22, 2002

Remarks:

B. Norris Battin

03/08/2004

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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